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MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO NAME NO. 59 IN MOSCOW (1942)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 220

4 Feb. 42

To: [Name No. 59.]<sup>(1)</sup>

1. Information received from Swedish sailors: (a)

(a) In STETTIN there are at present:-

- a cruiser with a displacement of approximately 7,000 tons,
- 6 destroyers with an average displacement of between 1,000 and 1,500 tons,
- 4 medium submarines.

(b) In LUBAVA(b) there is at present a motor torpedo boat squadron (M.T.B.) consisting of about 24 motor torpedo boats.

2. [4 groups unrecovered] in NERGEN the areas delimited by [the following] co-ordinates, are declared closed to shipping:

- 59° 57'5. 5° 16' the northern extremity of PONDÖ<sup>(11)</sup>
- 59° 59'2. 5° 16'4.
- 59° 59'7. 5° 16'7.
- 59° 59'8. 5° 16'8.

[4 groups unrecovered].

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59° 58'3, 5° 19'5 the northern extremity of STORD<sup>(15)</sup> [1 group unrecovered] up to 59° 57'6, 5° 17'6

[15 groups unrecovered]

[36 groups unrecoverable]

OS<sup>(iii)</sup> 60° 11'1, 5° 28'8. Vessels passing close [to them] must

[15 groups unrecovered]

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[Name No. 64]<sup>(iv)</sup>

Notes: [a] Or "a Swedish sailor"

[b] LIETAVA/LIDAU

[c] Inserted by translator.

Comments: [i] Name No. 59 : After August 1942, this is thought to be Capt. Aleksandr TARADIN, Soviet Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM (0.8.42 - 23.9.45. This is the only recorded instance of Name No. 59 in MOSCOW.

[ii] FONDÖ and STORD : Islands on the southern side of SELJÖRN FJORD, NORWAY.

[iii] OS : A town on the mainland south of BERGEN, and on the west side of FUSE FJORD, NORWAY.

[iv] Name No. 64 : Probably Aleksandr PAVLOV, Tass correspondent in SWEDEN 19.11.39 - 12.8.44.